

Admissibility in evidence.

business or activity has kept or recorded any memorandum, writing, entry, print, representation or combination thereof, of any act, transaction, occurrence, or event, and in the regular course of business has caused any or all of the same to be recorded, copied, or reproduced by any photographic, photostatic, microfilm, micro-card, miniature photographic, or other process which accurately reproduces or forms a durable medium for so reproducing the original, the original may be destroyed in the regular course of business unless held in a custodial or fiduciary capacity or unless its preservation is required by law. Such reproduction, when satisfactorily identified, is as admissible in evidence as the original itself in any judicial or administrative proceeding whether the original is in existence or not and an enlargement or facsimile of such reproduction is likewise admissible in evidence if the original reproduction is in existence and available for inspection under direction of court. The introduction of a reproduced record, enlargement, or facsimile does not preclude admission of the original. This subsection shall not be construed to exclude from evidence any document or copy thereof which is otherwise admissible under the rules of evidence."

SEC. 2. The analysis of section 1732 of chapter 115 of title 28, United States Code, immediately preceding section 1731 of such title, is amended so as to read:

"1732. Record made in regular course of business; photographic copies."

SEC. 3. The catchline of section 1732, chapter 115 of title 28, United States Code, is amended so as to read:

"1732. Record made in regular course of business; photographic copies."

Approved August 28, 1951.

Public Law 130

CHAPTER 355

AN ACT

August 29, 1951
[S. 1673]

To authorize and direct the Administrator of General Services to transfer to the Department of the Air Force certain property in the State of Mississippi.

Department of the
Air Force.
Transfer of lands.

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That the Administrator of General Services is authorized and directed to transfer, without reimbursement, to the Department of the Air Force the following-described lands in Harrison County, Mississippi:

(a) That certain tract of land comprising one hundred and forty-seven acres, more or less, lying within sections 19 and 30, township 7 south, range 9 west, at Keesler Field, Mississippi, now occupied by the Department of the Air Force under a permit from the Veterans' Administration; and

(b) That certain tract of land lying northwesterly of and abutting the land described in (a) above, comprising fourteen and thirty-five one-hundredths acres, more or less, within sections 19 and 30, township 7 south, range 9 west, said land being approximately described as follows:

Beginning at the section corner common to sections 25, 30, 31, and 36, township 7 south, ranges 9 and 10 west, Saint Stephens base and meridian; thence north no degrees thirteen minutes west, one thousand two hundred eighty-five and ten one-hundredths feet to a point on the west line of section 30, township 7 south, range 9 west; thence south eighty-seven degrees fourteen minutes east, two hundred twelve and twenty one-hundredths feet to a point

at the intersection of the south line of Pass Christian Road and the east line of Peters Lane; thence north one degree eighteen minutes west, one thousand three hundred seventy-four and twenty one-hundredths feet to a point on the east line of Peters Lane; thence continuing along the east line of Peters Lane north one degree three minutes west, one thousand six hundred sixteen and eighty one-hundredths feet to the true point of beginning; thence leaving the east line of Peters Lane north forty-five degrees eighteen minutes east, one thousand one hundred sixty-three and forty one-hundredths feet to a point on the south shore line of the Back Bay of Biloxi; thence following the south shore line of said bay in a northwesterly direction one thousand one hundred feet, more or less, to its intersection with the easterly line of Peters Lane extended; thence south one degree three minutes east, one thousand four hundred and sixty feet, more or less, along the east line of Peters Lane extended to the true point of beginning;

both tracts being as shown in color on map designated as "Keesler Field, Mississippi, DRNG. 727", dated May 28, 1944, on file in the Office, Chief of Engineers, Department of the Army.

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Public Law 131

CHAPTER 356

AN ACT

To amend section 12 of the Missing Persons Act, as amended, relating to travel by dependents and transportation of household and personal effects.

August 29, 1951
[H. R. 1199]

Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representatives of the United States of America in Congress assembled, That section 12 of the Missing Persons Act, as amended, is hereby further amended to read as follows:

"SEC. 12. The dependents and household and personal effects of any person in active service (without regard to pay grade) who is officially reported as dead, injured, missing for a period of thirty days or more, interned in a neutral country, or captured by the enemy, upon application by such dependents, may be moved (including packing and unpacking of household effects), upon receipt by such dependents of such official report, to such location as may be determined in advance or subsequently approved by the head of the department concerned or by such persons as he may designate. The cost of such transportation, including packing and unpacking of household effects, shall be charged against appropriations currently available. In lieu of transportation authorized by this section for dependents, the head of the department concerned may authorize the payment in money of amounts equal to such commercial transportation costs for the whole or such part of travel for which transportation in kind is not furnished, when such travel shall have been completed. When the person is in an 'injured' status, the movement of dependents or household and personal effects provided for herein may be authorized only in cases where the anticipated period of hospitalization or treatment will be of prolonged duration. No transportation shall be authorized pursuant to this section unless a reasonable relationship exists between the condition and circumstances of the dependents and the destination to which transportation is requested. Beginning June 25, 1950, and for the purposes of this section only, the terms 'household and personal effects' and 'household effects' may include, in addition to other authorized weight allowances, not to exceed one privately owned motor vehicle, shipment

Missing Persons Act, amendment.
56 Stat. 146.
50 U. S. C. app. § 1012.
Transportation of dependents and effects

Payment in lieu of transportation.

Restriction.

Motor vehicle.